

Comma Splices and Fused Sentences I

Practice: In each group of sentences below, find and circle the number of the sentence that is wrong. Then correct the sentence by using one of the five methods listed above.

1. Yesterday when I went shopping, I bought a pair of shoes, a shirt, and a belt.
 2. Eudora Welty was a well-known novelist and short story writer, she grew up in Jackson, Mississippi.
 3. Laura attends Mississippi State University, but her brother goes to Jackson State.
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1. My favorite subject is math, it is so much more logical than English.
 2. Marie, my best friend since elementary school, is getting married in March, so I'm planning to give her a shower.
 3. I was quite upset when I realized I had failed the first test; however, I worked hard and made a B in the class.
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1. My friends and I went to see *Family Man* at Northpark, then we went to Red, Hot, and Blue to eat ribs.
 2. Although Jonathan is good at sports, his favorite pastime is playing the guitar.
 3. When I was in high school, my parents set a strict curfew; now that I'm at Hinds, I have more freedom.
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1. Between the library and the bookstore is a deli, all the menu choices are expensive.
 2. The last student left at 4:00, but the teachers stayed until 7:00.
 3. I wanted to go shopping Sunday; however, I realized most stores were closed for the holiday.
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1. My brother loves to cook, so I bought him some cookware for Christmas.
 2. She wrote me a long letter after her trip to Africa and told me of her many adventures.
 3. Jamie called Pam yesterday and invited her to the party Saturday night this may explain why she is so happy
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1. We drove down Highway 55 until we reached Jackson then we stopped to rest at a roadside park.
 2. The hamburgers were slightly burned; therefore, we decided to cook something else to eat.
 3. We ate our breakfast, rushed out the door, and jumped in the car when we realized we were an hour late.
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1. There used to be a video store on the corner; it closed last year due to financial difficulty.
2. Yesterday I worked on my research paper, a requirement of Composition II, even though I was tired I worked until midnight.
3. After the rain stopped, the temperature rose very quickly, and the humidity became unbearable.